

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: **Abramovici** Examiner: Donna A. Jagoe
Application No.: **09/446,601** Art Unit: 1614
Filed: **April 3, 2000**
Title: **Solid Pharmaceutical Compositions Containing Benzofuran Derivatives**

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

This is in response to the Office Communication issued June 22, 2007, by the United States Patent and Trademark Office setting a one-month period for response set to expire on July 22, 2007. This response is therefore timely filed.

Remarks

The Examiner indicates that the claims filed on January 12, 2007 do not comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121(c) for the given reason that claim 1 contains an amendment: “[t]he phrase ‘selected from the group consisting of dronedarone and amiodarone’ in lines 2-3 of the claim was not present in the amended claims presented on May 24, 2006” (Office Communication, page 2).

However, the phrase indicated by the Examiner was added by Examiner’s Amendment dated October 16, 2006. Accordingly, claim 1 does not contain an amendment, and the status identifier of “previously presented” is correct. In view of this, Applicants’ amendment filed January 12, 2007 complies with 37 CFR 1.121.

Applicants attach a copy of the Examiner’s Amendment herewith for the Examiner’s convenience.